

# ALL MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS STRENGTHENED; 1916 CAMPAIGN OPENS TODAY

Opening Games in Forty-First National and Seventeenth American League Seasons in the East Today

## TWO BOSTON TEAMS HAVE MOST BACKERS IN RACE FOR FLAGS; MANY NEW FACTORS IN CONTEST

Strange Uniforms Will Be Seen On Many Stars of Former Years, But Managers All Agree 'Twill Be a Banner Year

ONLY MACK ISN'T MAKING FORECAST

Majority of Leaders Point Out Elements of New Strength; Claim Will Better Last Year's Positions This Season

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

NEW YORK, April 11.—The major league baseball season of 1916 will be inaugurated in eight of the leading cities of the east and middle west tomorrow afternoon.

In the National League which begins its forty-first season, the initial contests will bring together:

Boston at Brooklyn.

New York at Philadelphia.

Chicago at Cincinnati.

Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

The opening games in the American League—its seventeenth season—will see:

Washington at New York.

Philadelphia at Boston.

St. Louis at Cleveland.

Detroit at Chicago.

Many of these clubs have been strengthened during the past winter and every indication points to close races for the pennants. The Detroit Federal League and the minor circuits have been fine-combed for diamond talent. In some cases famous stars will be seen in strange uniforms, but once the players and fans have accustomed themselves to the new combinations, the general prediction of a "banner year" in baseball seems likely to be realized.

While there is a vast difference of opinion among close followers of the game regarding the order in which the teams will finish the season, the two Boston clubs appear to have the greatest number of backers, although the eleventh hour sale of this season or has not improved the chances of the Boston Americans. In the National League, Boston, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, and New York are generally picked to finish in the first division, while in the American League Boston, Chicago, Detroit and New York are favored to fill first division positions.

In the senior league, the Philadelphia club, which won last season's pennant, starts the 1916 campaign with almost the same lineup as a year ago. Manager Moran believes that the Phillies will repeat their winning performance, but many critics disagree with him.

The Boston Braves, runners-up to

### TRACK OFFICIALS FOR TUCSON TRACK MEET

TUCSON, April 11.—Following are the track officials for the University week meet:

Judges of finish—Dr. Huffman, Dr. Meserve, Harold Steele and E. Ronald.

Clerk of course—N. C. Hayhurst, A. C. Jones, assistant.

Starter and referee—J. P. McKee, coach P. A.

Judges of field events—A. Porter, R. Peabody, R. Brackenbury and Henry Schwaben.

Clerk of field—L. Kriegerbaum, A. E. Ryan, assistant.

Timers—Sam Mansfield, John Howe, assistant.

Announcer—J. Preston Jones, Scores—A. Crawford.

After two years in which the players' salaries got into the headlines too often and his batting average not often enough, a certain amount of strife has been eliminated from baseball and the American public is about to concentrate its attention on two leagues.

Victories claimed by the Federal League have secured to one this far from headquarters, to have been victories for the pocket books of the outland magnates, but no victories against the so-called baseball trust.

Today, the American and National Leagues open up the 1916 season, more powerful in organized ball and more closely knit together in interests, than they were before the Federals entered the field.

With its characteristic habit of never being merely interested in a thing, the American public continues to be obsessed by baseball. So, the coming season ought to be a highly successful one.

But one thing is certain. The guy that is not right up to now won't be a good done podder this year.

Times have changed. With the redistribution of outland players among the major and minor leagues of organized ball—as per a little list in another column—and the numerous trades and sales, one can scarcely recognize some of the ball clubs.

Most of the famous old combinations have been broken up. Just think of Hal Chase with Cincinnati!

Anyway, here's to a happy, popular season, with a grand world series at the end of it—a scarcity of rainy days—but lots of two-to-one finishes!

Pittsburg is another club which starts the season with a new manager at the helm. Jimmy Callahan, the 1916 leader expects his team to finish in the first division in place of fifth as last year.

Miller Huggins, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, holder of "bat" place last year, predicts a good season for his team if his infield will stand the strain.

Cincinnati is picked by many to make the best showing of any of the western clubs. The Reds have secured a number of former Federals since last season, when the team finished in seventh place, including Hal Chase, while Allen of the New York Americans played first base in a manner that made him one of the stars of the junior league.

From last place a year ago to a first division berth is the prediction made by the supporters of the New York club. The Giants undoubtedly have been strengthened since last season, but it appears unlikely that Manager McGraw's clan can come back and make a successful fight for

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## Keeping Track of Ball Tossers is SOME Chore

By A. C. Pinney  
They're off!

At the sound of eight bells this morning the "Salt River Valley" special train will pull out of Phoenix for Tucson, with students on board from Glendale and Phoenix high schools. When the special reaches Tempe it will make a stop of about ten minutes, so the Mesa and Tempe high school students can board car No. 1, and car No. 2, Glendale will occupy car No. 3 and the remainder of the train consisting of five cars will be for the coaches.

In an attempt to express an opinion of this big track and gold meet, Coach McKade of the P. of A. on whose shoulders rests the arranging of events, selecting of officials, and actual supervision of the whole meeting, said yesterday in Tucson:

"I feel," he declared, "that future years will have to strain to equal the records for attendance and interest we are getting this year. Of the twenty-one high schools in the state, 19 will be represented in this year's program. Every institution is putting forth earnest efforts to capture cups and prizes. We expect to entertain the most enthusiastic crowd that has ever come to Tucson, and we will make a name for university week this spring which will establish the meeting in the athletic history of the state."

Among the students who will represent P. H. S. in the athletic program are: Track—Martha, Detwiler, Pinney, Foster, Crighton, Edwards, Dunbar, Jewett, Lacey, Cummings, Baker, Lutz, Nichols, Haddell, Norton, Akers, Fitch, Craver and Brandon.

Baseball—W. B. Stiles, Hess, Westfall, De Britton, 26, Lyall, 28, Goldberger, 29, Grog, 30, Tittle, 31, Walters, 32, Wright, Horvick, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

### Coast League

#### STANDING OF THE CLUBS

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Los Angeles	6	2	.750
Oakland	5	2	.714
San Francisco	4	4	.500
Portland	3	5	.375
Vernon	3	5	.375
Salt Lake	2	5	.286

#### WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY

Los Angeles at Salt Lake.  
Portland at Oakland.  
San Francisco at Vernon.

At Los Angeles—R. H. E.  
San Francisco..... 0 6 1  
Vernon..... 4 6 1  
Batteries—Couch, Rock and Semple; Proulx and Spencer.

At Salt Lake—R. H. E.  
Los Angeles..... 14 14 4  
Salt Lake..... 19 14 4  
Batteries—Sabel, Brandt, Hogg and Poley; Pittory, Munsell, Mullen, Peterson and Hannah.

At San Francisco—R. H. E.  
Portland..... 2 10 3  
Oakland..... 10 11 2  
Batteries—Houck and Haworth; Prough and Elliott.

### MARKING TIME

#### Big League Exhibition Games

#### SOX BEAT COLLEGIANS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
BOSTON, April 11.—The Boston Americans easily won from the Boston College team today, 9 to 1. The student pitchers were batted freely, while Boston's second string twirlers kept hits scattered. The collegians' only run was the result of an unusual incident, a ball thrown to a fielder being lost when he tried to tag a runner. The umpire allowed a player to score from second on the play.

#### SUPERBAS BEAT YANKS

BROOKLYN, April 11.—The Brooklyn Nationals and the New York Americans completed their exhibition schedule today, the Superbas winning easily, 7 to 2. They batted Pierce, a Pacific coast recruit, freely in the first, third and fifth innings. Two errors on one play in the fifth inning by Gilhooly, gave the Superbas two runs. Combs and Dell held the Yankees safe, especially with men on bases.

## With The Boy Ball Tossers

NOT VERY CLOSE  
The Monroe indoor baseball team defeated the Douglas school nine yesterday in a hotly contested game. The contest consisted mainly of which Monroe players should do the scoring, as no Douglas runners got as far as home plate. Score:

R. H. E.	
Monroe..... 11	6 2
Douglas..... 0	2 1

Volley Ball  
The Monroe volleyball players defeated the Douglas team in a match yesterday by a score of two out of three games.

## Nineteen Out of Twenty-One High Schools of Arizona

Enter Teams in University Week Athletic Contests



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